

## STATE OF GEORGIA

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Governor Perdue Announces \$580 Million Budget Surplus

Revenue Increases more than Nine Percent, Surplus for Education and Rainy Day Fund

ATLANTA – Governor Sonny Perdue announced today that the state of Georgia has a \$580 million budget surplus for FY06. Governor Perdue's top priorities for the budget surplus are education and increasing the state's rainy day fund.

"Of the \$580 million budget surplus, \$173 million will go to education in the mid-year adjustment," said Governor Sonny Perdue. "The rest is going in the bank for our state's future – more than \$400 million bringing our reserve fund to \$665 million."

Revenue collections for FY06 increased 9.3 percent over FY05. For the month of June 2006 (FY06), revenue collections totaled \$1,598,202,000 compared to \$1,523,037,000 for June 2005 (FY05), an increase of \$75,165,000 or 4.9 percent.

## ### GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE Comparative Net Revenue Collections (unaudited -000's)

## For the Month Ended

June 2005 June 2006 (FY 2005) (FY 2006)		\$ Change	% Change
Tax Revenues:			
Income Tax -Individual	\$695,729 \$750,639	\$54,910	7.9%
Sales and Use Tax -General:			
Sales and Use Tax -Gross	\$815,368 \$937,437	\$122,069	15.0%
Local Sales Tax Distribution	\$(310,077) \$(394,782)	\$(84,705)	-27.3%
Sales Tax Refunds/Adjustments	\$(927) \$(23,942)	\$(23,015)	-2482.7%
Net Sales and Use Tax -General	\$504,364 \$518,713	\$14,349	2.8%
Motor Fuel Taxes:			
Prepaid Motor Fuel Sales Tax	\$32,031 \$33,050	\$1,019	3.2%

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